

HIS SENTENCE COMMUTED

Governor Aycock Gives the Benefit of a Doubt to Henry Holloway, Who Was to Hang.

A LARGE AMOUNT IN FINES

Charters Granted to Knitting Mills, to a Lumber Co. and a Supply Co.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
RICHMOND, Dec. 21.—Governor Aycock issued an order this morning commuting the death sentence of Henry Holloway to imprisonment for life in the penitentiary at hard labor. Holloway was sentenced to be hanged in Green county at the September term of court by Judge Fred Moore for burglary in first degree. The commutation is at the urgent request of Judge Moore, who, the Governor states, has since revisited the county and carefully investigated the matter and talked with eight of the jurors, all of whom now agree that while they believe Holloway is guilty, yet there is some ground for doubt, and all join in asking the Governor to grant the commutation.

Holloway's crime was breaking into the house of a white woman, Mrs. Hulen, at Snow Hill, and making improper proposals. A negro who slept with Holloway came insane, being now in the Goldsboro asylum, and in his ravings insists that he and not Holloway is guilty. Holloway was first reprieved to December 17th, then to December 23d, and the commutation now follows.

A charter was granted this morning to the Carolina Mill Company, of Winston-Salem, the purpose of the company being to operate mills for knitting hosiery, underwear, and socks. The capital stock is \$100,000, authorized and \$50,000 subscribed by P. K. Green, H. D. Polindexter and W. A. Blair.

The Craggy Lumber Company is chartered with \$100,000 to operate a lumber plant at Alvin in Buncombe county. J. G. Adams and S. F. Chapman are the principal incorporators.

The Sharpshoot Supply Company is incorporated with \$50,000 capital to conduct a general mercantile business. R. H. Hicks being one of the principal incorporators.

The Secretary of State received notice this morning of the increase of the capital stock of the Elm City Lumber Company from \$50,000 to \$100,000. Charles Felin is president of the company, and Clyde Eby secretary.

Governor Aycock issued an order today for a special term of court in Forsyth county for the trial of civil causes to be held by Judge Tice, beginning January 2d and continuing two weeks.

HEAVY LISTS OF FINES.
During a two weeks' term of the Federal Court, which adjourned today, fines were imposed by Judge Fournell amounting to \$2,400 and the terms of imprisonment aggregate thirty years and one month.

At noon today, from Christ Episcopal Church, was conducted the funeral of the late Mrs. Montford McNehee, who died Saturday night. She was seventy years of age, and was a daughter of Congressman George Badger, and a granddaughter of Colonel William Polk, the distinguished Revolutionary patriot.

A banquet to be held in Park Hotel on the evening of January 1st, by the Raleigh Chamber of Commerce, the following programme of toasts will be observed:

"Raleigh as an Educational Center," by President George T. Winston.
"Raleigh and Pamlico Railroad," by Mr. F. B. Arendall.
"Raleigh Chamber of Commerce," by Mr. A. A. Thompson.

"Raleigh Financial Institutions," by Mr. James G. Brown.

POSTMASTER.
Mrs. D. L. Russell, Wife of Ex-Republican Governor, Appointed.

(By Associated Press.)
WILMINGTON, N. C., December 21.—It was officially announced here today that Mrs. D. L. Russell, wife of the ex-Republican Governor, will be appointed postmaster at Wilmington. This office is, perhaps, the best berth in the gift of the Republican party in the State.

Miss Mary C. Darby, the postmaster-elect, and candidate for reappointment, was offered the place of assistant, which she promptly declined, saying she would be postmaster or nothing. Miss Darby has given greatest satisfaction, and she was strongly endorsed for reappointment.

Ex-Governor Russell went to Washington, as it was thought, to look after her candidacy. While there he secured the plum for his wife.

BELL COMPANY WINS.
Gets Control of Its Rival in Winston-Salem.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.)
WINSTON-SALEM, N. C., Dec. 21.—Official information was received here tonight that the Bell and Interstate Telephone Exchanges in this city would be consolidated at once. The Bell Company becomes owner of the consolidated plant, and the Interstate retiring from the field. This confirms rumors which have been current for several weeks to the effect that the two telephone companies had closed an important deal, by which they would divide the territory operated by them in North Carolina.

PENAL SERVITUDE FOR INCITING MASSACRE
(By Associated Press.)
KIRKINETH, BESSARABIA, Dec. 21.—Two Russians named Gnetsev and Marosch, who have been on trial, charged with murder, as the authors of the massacres of Jews here last spring, were sentenced to seven and five years penal servitude respectively.

Twenty-two other persons charged with being involved in the massacres were sentenced to periods ranging from one to two years imprisonment. One person was sentenced to six months' imprisonment and twelve were acquitted, while forty-eight civil actions brought against the accused were dismissed. The costs of the prosecutions must be paid by the convicted persons.

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MR. BRYAN SEES THE CZAR OF THE RUSSIAS

Audience of Fifteen Minutes Arranged for Him on the Spur of the Minute.

(By Associated Press.)
ST. PETERSBURG, December 21.—William Jennings Bryan was received in audience by Czar Nicholas at noon today. The audience, which lasted for fifteen minutes, was arranged almost on the spur of the moment by Ambassador McCormick, who until yesterday was uncertain as to the time of Mr. Bryan's arrival at St. Petersburg.

During the conversation with Mr. Bryan, His Majesty expressed in the most emphatic manner the feeling of friendship entertained by him and by the Russian nation for the United States and the hope that the good relations which have always existed between the two countries would never be disturbed. He gave evidence of the deepest interest in and acquaintance with affairs in the United States.

In response to Mr. Bryan's inquiry concerning the progress of public instruction in Russia, His Majesty gave a minute description of the education in the Russian Empire, showing an intimate knowledge of the educational methods and the statistics relating thereto.

Mr. Bryan was entertained at dinner by Ambassador McCormick to-night. He will leave for Berlin to-morrow.

CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT HOLY TRINITY CHURCH

At the Church of the Holy Trinity the following musical programme will be rendered Christmas and repeated the Sunday night following:

(CHRISTMAS MORNING.)
Processional Hymn—No. 1, Mendelssohn.
Venite—Crotch in D and Turner in A.
Psalm—Crotch in D.
Te Deum—Edmondson-Duncan in G.
Nightingale—Duncan in G.
Hymn—No. 50, Dykes.
Kyrie Eleison—Duncan in G.
Gloria—Duncan in G.
Hymn—No. 40, Reading.
Offertory Anthem—"O Come, Redeemer of Mankind," by John E. West.
(Communion Service.)
Sanctus—Duncan in G.
Hymn—No. 24, Cooke.
Gloria in Excelsis—Tours in F.
Recessional Hymn—No. 61, Geer.
(SUNDAY NIGHT, Dec. 27th, 8:15 P. M.)
Processional Hymn—No. 50, Smart.
Nightingale—Duncan in G.
Nunc Dimittis—Duncan in G.
Anthem—"Behold! I Bring You Glad Tidings of Great Joy," by Sir John Goss.
Hymn—No. 208, Sullivan.
Offertory Anthem—"O Come, Redeemer of Mankind," by John E. West.
Recessional Hymn—No. 22, German Chorale.

The Sunday night services are followed by a short organ recital.

DEATHS OF A DAY.

(By Associated Press.)
HOSTON, MASS., December 21.—The death in England, of Rev. Brooke Herford, D. D., a distinguished Unitarian clergyman and writer, was announced here today. He was born in England in 1833. In 1859 Dr. Herford became pastor of the Church of the Messiah, in Chicago. In 1883 he came to Boston as pastor of the Arlington Street Church. Later he resigned to accept a call to the Roslyn Hill Chapel, London.

DEADLOCK NOT BROKEN

House and Senate Have Not Agreed as to the Time for Adjournment.

THE HOUSE WANTS A RECESS

Edmondson General Roads Bill Fails to Pass; Also the Anderson Annexation Measure.

House and Senate are still disagreed as to the question of adjournment. Last week the Senate adopted a resolution providing for adjournment sine die on the 23d. The House refused to concur. Yesterday the House agreed to take a recess from December 23d to the 25th. When this action was taken, the Senate had adjourned for the day. The resolution will, therefore, be communicated to-day. It is uncertain what action the Senate will take.

The sessions of both bodies were slimly attended yesterday and there is some fear manifested that a quorum cannot be secured to-day.

HAD NO QUORUM.
There being no quorum the Senate proceeded adjournment at 4 p. m., but subsequently others came and sufficient members being present thereafter, the Senate proceeded to business.

Mr. Catton communicated from the House the adoption by that body of Senate bill 555, which amends the bill providing how erroneous assessments may be corrected. The amendments were not taken up.

Mr. Taylor gave notice that he would at a proper time offer a substitute for House bill 413, in relation to the roads of Elizabeth City county.

Mr. Edmondson communicated to the Senate the passage of the general road bill, with slight additional amendment, by the House.

A motion to concur in the House amendment was rejected, and it developed that confusion would ensue if the bill were finally passed owing to the fact that those counties having a special road law would be under the necessity of securing action on road petition through the courts, while counties under the general law would be subject to the action of the boards of supervisors on all questions relating to roads. The subject was referred informally and not further taken up at the session.

Mr. Sneed communicated to the Senate the passage by the House of a joint resolution, providing for the election, as a special order of a judge for the County Court of Princess Anne, to fill a vacancy caused by resignation of Judge White, and fixing 12:30 as the time for the election of the joint order.

Mr. Ople moved concurrence in the joint resolution, and it was accepted.

MR. ACKLES CHIEF.
The time for the special joint order arrived a few moments later, and both houses being ready to elect, Mr. Ackles was placed in nomination, and there being no other nominations the entire vote cast in both houses was recorded for him, a total of 10 votes. He was declared duly elected.

The Senate bill in relation to the property of wills was taken up and passed, this being the only bill passed during the day.

The Senate bill providing for primary elections was, on motion of Mr. Barks, set as a special and continuing order for January 13th.

Mr. Anderson, of Richmond, called up House bill No. 70, to provide how cities and towns may extend their corporate limits, reported with an amendment in the nature of a substitute. The bill was on its second reading, and being given that, came to its consideration.

At this time, however, and while the vote was being had, Mr. Donohoe disappeared and broke up the session. The Senate at 1 P. M. adjourned until noon to-day.

The House.
The House was called to order at 10 o'clock by Speaker Ryan, and prayer was offered by Rev. P. P. Price, of the Presbyterian Church.

Mr. Leake offered a bill, which was referred, reporting the road law of the county of Goodland.

Mr. Edmondson's road bill came over with some amendments. Its sponsor, Major Edmondson, explained them at some length, and wound up with a stirring appeal for the passage of the measure.

There was a good deal of discussion over the bill, Mr. Carter, of Albemarle, expressing the fear that the bill would all special road laws now in effect.

Mr. Edmondson pleaded with Mr. Carter, who did not oppose the bill, and finally agreed upon language making it certain that the bill would not repeal existing special road laws.

The amendment was agreed to and the bill as amended was passed by yeas 24 and nays 12.

Mr. Sneed of Princess Anne, offered a resolution fixing 12:30 o'clock as the hour for the election of a judge for the County Court of Princess Anne.

The House discharged the Finance Committee from the consideration of Mr. Sneed's bill, and the subject was referred to the committee on the subject of the hall of the House, and Mr. Folkes moved to discharge the Roads Committee from the consideration of the bill.

The resolution of Mr. Folkes was opposed by Mr. Churchman, and finally withdrawn.

The election of a county judge for Princess Anne was gone into, and Mr. Sneed's nomination of Johnson Ackles, and he was unanimously elected.

AS TO ADJOURNMENT.
Mr. Leake offered a resolution, providing for final adjournment on December 23d, and Mr. Duke offered a substitute, providing for a recess on December 23d, and reconvening of the body on December 25th.

Mr. Leake spoke for his resolution, and Mr. Duke again spoke for his resolution, and the subject was referred to the committee on the subject of the hall of the House, and Mr. Folkes moved to discharge the Roads Committee from the consideration of the bill.

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This should decide everybody who is yet pondering over what to give and put into a lively hustle all persons who still have to buy winter apparel. There are three more days to buy at the big reduction.

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CHRISTMAS GIFTS FOR JAIL BIRDS

Justice John Will Act as Santa Claus—Police Court News.

Justice John will present about thirty release papers to inmates of the jail as Christmas gifts. He expects to have some of them back again the next day, but even at that he will give them a chance. The docket yesterday was of little importance.

Larry Gray got fifteen days for taking about fifteen cents worth of coal from the Chesapeake and Ohio.

William Fry was found guilty of conducting a policy shop, and was fined \$20.

D. Bradley and C. N. Goodwin each paid \$2.50 for engaging in a little friendly set-to.

Tom Robinson was sent to jail for ninety days for taking \$5 belonging to Virginia Johnson.

Robert Dandridge got drunk and disordered and suffered a fine of \$2.50.

Hattie Johnson had \$2.50 to pay for being disorderly on the street.

James Carter hit Tony Berry with a bottle, and was charged \$2.50 for doing so.

Bon Smith was fined \$5 for carrying a concealed pistol, and the charge of threatening to shoot was continued.

Several drunks were dismissed and court adjourned.

A LARGE SUM TO COME INTO STATE'S COFFERS

As a result of the decision by the United States Supreme Court of the case of the People's National Bank of Lynchburg and others vs. Morton Marks, auditor of public accounts of the State of Virginia, the Commonwealth will derive in arrears of taxes on the shares of capital stock of national banks, together with the interest on such arrears taxes, a sum aggregating approximately \$130,000.

Eleven national banks in this State had refused to pay the tax on shares of capital stock pending decision of the constitutional right of the State to levy such tax. Some of these banks have paid no tax ten years, more of them for eight years, and some have omitted to pay the tax only for the past few years. Now, the principal of the amount collectively due by these banks is about \$55,000, according to the auditor. The remainder of the \$130,000 being interest due on these back taxes.

Thus, the Attorney-General has brought into the State Treasury in this one victory alone, more than forty-five times his annual salary, and more than ten times the entire salary paid him for the entire four years of his incumbency of the office of Attorney-General.

NEW GROVE.
A large delegation of Richmond Druids went to Petersburg last night on a tour of inspection to take part in the installation of a new grove of Druids in that city. The party returned at a late hour.

Edmondson Road Law.
In the publication in Sunday's issue of the provisions of the Edmondson general road law it was correctly stated that on the question of levying a tax exceeding twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars of value the question of such levy shall be submitted to the vote of the citizens. Some of the newspapers have taken the question of levying a tax exceeding twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars of value the question of such levy shall be submitted to the vote of the citizens. Some of the newspapers have taken the question of levying a tax exceeding twenty-five cents on the one hundred dollars of value the question of such levy shall be submitted to the vote of the citizens.

SPECIAL LOW RATES TO ATLANTA, GA., VIA SOUTHERN RAILWAY.
Annual meeting Southern Educational Association, December 29th to January 1st, the Southern Railway announces special low rates of one fare for the round trip, plus \$2.25, including membership fee. Tickets on sale December 29th, 30th and 31st, and January 1st, 1909, final return limit January 3d, 1909, continuous passage in each direction.

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Via the Southern Railway. Two limited trains daily, with "Dining Cars," leave Richmond 12:30 noon, arrive Jacksonville following morning 9:25, connect for all Florida points. Excursion tickets on sale daily.

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One and one-third (1 1/3) fares, plus twenty-five cents, for the round trip, plus all points on R. F. & P. R. R. and W. S. Ry. Tickets on sale December 22, 23, 24, 25, 26 and 27, 1908, and January 1, 1909, final return limit January 3, 1909, continuous passage in each direction.

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| Men's Handkerchiefs, | Fine Napkins, |
| Down Quilts, | Pins and Brooches, |
| Bath Mats, | Imported Soaps, |
| Silk Waists, | Silk Waists, |
| Real Laces, | Ladies' Hosiery, |
| Leather Goods, | Men's Neckwear, |
| Table Linens, | Ladies' Handkerchiefs, |
| Fancy Garters, | Silk Petticoats, |
| Colognes and Extracts, | Fancy Towels, |
| Rain Coats, | Silk Blankets, |
| Coats and Wraps, | Ostrich Boas, |
| Sacques and Kimonos, | Lace Collars, |
| Men's Gloves, | Toilet Articles, |
| Ladies' Neck Fixings, | Embroidered Table Pieces, |
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SPECIAL RATES VIA SEABOARD AIR LINE RAILWAY.

Account Southern Educational Association, Atlanta, Ga., December 29, 1908, January 1, 1909.

On account of the above occasion the Seaboard will sell tickets from all stations on its line to Atlanta and return at a rate of one fare, plus \$2.25, which includes membership fee. Tickets on sale December 29th, final limit January 3, 1909. For tickets and other information, apply to the undersigned.

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TEACHERS.
In addition to selling dates already announced by the Southern Railway, Special Holiday Tickets will be on sale to students and teachers presenting certificates, December 23d and 24th, with return limit January 4th, 1909.

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On presentation and surrender of certificates signed by superintendent, principal or president of college or school, excursion tickets will be sold at the above rates to students, December 16th to 25th, inclusive, good for return passage until January 8th, 1909.

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